

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at on page 3 at line 23 with the following:

Following step (214), if the **first user 40.1** -- e.g. a paramedic -- needs to communicate with a **second user 40.2** – e.g. an emergency room doctor, -- e.g. either to share information or to seek advice, then in step (216), in step (216), the **first user 40.1** may obtain a passkey from the **server computer system 12**, which passkey will serve as a temporary password to enable the **second user 40.2** to communicate with the **first user 40.1** via the **server computer system 12**. In step (218), the **first user 40.1** provides the passkey to the **second user 40.2** via a separate communications channel, e.g. a **radio 44** or telephone, e.g. cellular phone. Then, in step (220), the **second user 40.2** provides the passkey to the **server computer system 12**, e.g. via the **keyboard or keypad 28**, the **writing tablet 32** or the **microphone 30** of the **second client computer system 14.2**. If, in step (222), the passkey provided by the **second user 40.2** is valid, then, in step (224), interactive communications are enabled between the **first 40.1 and second 40.2 users**, e.g. via a secure chat room, wherein the messages communicated therebetween may be recorded on the **portable memory element 22** and/or in the **memory 42** of the **server computer system 12**. Furthermore, in step (226), the **second client computer system 14.2** and the associated **second user 40.2** are given access to the data on the **portable memory element 22**, for example, to the medical records and insurance information of the patient. In addition to the interactive communications -- in either voice or text – other information may be recorded on the **portable memory element 22** during the interactive communications session. For example, the **first user 40.1** could test the **patient 24** with one or more **medical instruments 46**, the data from which could be either be automatically read and stored by the **first client computer system 14.1**, or recorded by the **first user 40.1** in the voice or data communications stream. If, from step (222), the passkey is not valid, then the process repeats with step (220).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at on page 10 at line 29 with the following:

Whereas **Fig. 3** illustrates the various CORBAMED servers as being operatively connected to the **Internet 300**, it should be understood that different servers can be interfaced using different protocols. The **PIDS Server 302** is adapted to function as the **server computer system 12** in accordance with the system and method illustrated in **Figs. 1 and 2**. The **PIDS Server 302** can communicate with a variety of different **client computer systems 14** via the **Internet 302300**, including, but not limited to a **mobile ambulance client 304**; a **hospital emergency room client 306**; a **laboratory client 308** at a hospital, doctor's office or the like; a **doctor-on-call client 310**, a **doctor's office client 312**; a **pharmacy client 314**; or an **insurance company client 316**. In **Fig. 3**, the **mobile ambulance client 304** and **doctor-on-call client 310** are illustrated as being in communication with the internet via an associated **wireless interface 318**, e.g. a radio, cell phone, or PDA link to a base station that is in communication with the **Internet 302300**. For example, a doctor-on-call could utilize a multimedia enabled cell phone or a PDA.